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Title: ELEVATOR BELT ASSEMBLY WITH WAXLESS COATING

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicants are in receipt of a Restriction Requirement ("Action") dated December 19, 2002. Applicants' response is set forth below. Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 13-15 as follows:

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13. An elevator rope assembly made according the method according to claim 6.
14. The elevator rope assembly of claim 13, wherein the urethane coating comprises a thermal polyurethane.
15. An elevator rope assembly made according the method according to claim 8.

REMARKS

Applicants request favorable consideration of the subject application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 6 and 9 being independent.